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TO: MR. CHRIS WELLES
C/O BAGEHOT FELLOWSHIPS
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM
NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10027

1. JEREMIAH NOVAK HAS APPLIED FOR A BAGEHOT FELLOWSHIP AND I WANT TO COMMEND HIM TO YOU. I FIRST MET HIM AT THE UNCTAD MEETING IN NAIROBI AND HAVE DISCUSSED WITH HIM QUESTIONS OF POLITICAL ECONOMY IN THIRD WORLD COUNTRIES SEVERAL TIMES SINCE THEN.
2. HE BRINGS TO HIS STUDIES AN UNUSUAL COMBINATION OF EXPERIENCES. HE SERVED OVERSEAS FOR PFIZER PHARMACEUTICALS SO HAS A REALISTIC APPRECIATION OF THE WAYS AND WILES OF ASIAN BUSINESSMEN AND GOVERNMENTAL ATTITUDES TOWARD BUSINESS. AT THE SAME TIME HE HAS BEEN GENUINELY INTERESTED IN THEIRD WORLD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TRADE RELATIONS AND PROBLEMS OF MESHING PARTICULAR THIRD WORLD ECONOMIC INTERESTS WITH THOSE OF THE DEVELOPED WEST. HIS CONTACTS WITH THRID WORLD OFFICIALS AND BUSINESSMEN IS VERY UNUSUAL. HE WRITES WELL AND RAPIDLY.
3. IN SHORT, HE IS A STRONG CANDIDATE FOR A BAGEHOT FELLOW-

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